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RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3% per annum.

" 6 " " 4 1/2 " "

" 12 " " 5 1/2 " "

On Current Deposit Accounts 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

Credits granted, Remittances, Exchanges, Loans, and every description of Banking Business transacted.

CLAIMS ON THE ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION PURCHASED.

H. A. HERBERT,

Manager.

Hongkong, March 25, 1885. 322

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital.....\$7,500,000

Reserve Fund.....\$4,400,000

Reserve for Equalization.....\$ 400,000

of Dividends.....\$ 400,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors.....\$7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

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Manager.

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HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits.

For 3 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " " 4 per cent. "

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Local Bills Discounted.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 28, 1885. 347

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG

SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3: Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may, at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3% per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked Os. Hongkong Savings' Bank business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass Book are necessary.

For the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

T. JACKSON,

Unter Konzern.

Hongkong, May 7, 1885. 154

## Intimations.

### NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB will be held in the Premises of the Club on SATURDAY NEXT—the 30th May, at 3 p.m.

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Hon. Secretary,  
VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

Hongkong, May 23, 1885. 840

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General MEETING of the Society will be held at the Society's Head Office, No. 15, Praya Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the Second day of June, 1885, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, when it is intended to Confirm the Resolutions passed at the Extraordinary Meeting of Shareholders on the 18th day of May, 1885.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
N. J. EDE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 18, 1885. 813

NOTICE.

PERSONS having any CLAIM or CLAIMS against the Undersigned are requested to send in Particulars of such CLAIM or CLAIMS on or before the 31st Instant or they will not be recognized.

P. M. FRANCO, Jr.,  
No. 10, Mosque Street.

Hongkong, May 22, 1885. 833

NOTICE.

WILLIAM DOLAN,  
SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER,  
22, Praya Central.

COTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS,  
MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN  
OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS,  
CORK JACKETS,  
&c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882. 256

NOTICE.

THE MITSU BISHI MAIL S.S. Co.

taking taken over the NAGASAKI DOCK, SLIP and ENGINEERING WORKS, are now prepared to Dock and REPAIR all ships at moderate terms.

The DOCK is one of the largest and best in the East, being 431 feet long and 80 feet broad, and having a depth of water 80 feet at spring tides of 27 feet and no tide 22 feet.

The SHOPS contain Machine-tools of all descriptions and compound Engines up to 1,000 horse-power. The heaviest class of work can be undertaken at the shortest notice.

Powerful lifting SHEARS are being erected.

For further Particulars, apply to

H. J. H. TRIPP,  
Agent.

Hongkong, December 18, 1884. 2135

DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.

MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG,

Surgeon Dentist,

(Formerly ARTICLED APPRENTICE and LATTELLY ASSISTANT TO DR. ROGERS.)

To the urgent request of his European

A and American patients and friends,

has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly occupied by Dr. ROGERS,

No. 2, DUDDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Perfect adjustment of ARTIFICIAL TEETH by Atmospheric Suction without pain or inconvenience. Discount to missionaries and families.

Sole Address

2, DUDDELL STREET,  
(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)

Hongkong, January 12, 1885. 66

NOTICE.

VICTORIA HOTEL.

Praya and Queen's Road Central,

Hongkong.

This extensive and well-appointed establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within walking distance of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place. The Rooms are spacious, well ventilated and have just been furnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the European.

The accommodation and service of every kind will be found to be of the best description.

An ample and varied TABLE d'Hôte is always provided and served in the spacious, large Dining Hall.

The Hotel is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service.

Continental languages are spoken.

Messrs. DOHBEEJEE and HING-KEE, PROPRIETORS.

Hongkong, September 15, 1884. 1659

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG HAIR DRESSING SALOON.

HONGKONG HOTEL BUILDINGS.

A Ladies' HAIR DRESSING SALOON is attached to this Establishment, and Ladies are respectfully INVITED to give it a TRIAL. Every satisfaction is guaranteed.

For the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

T. JACKSON,

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Hongkong, May 7, 1885. 764

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T. JACKSON,

# THE CHINA MAIL.

[No. 6809.—MAY 25, 1885.]

## For Sale.

**MACKENZIE, FRICKEL & Co.**

HAVE MOVED INTO THEIR NEW PREMISES.

**VICTORIA EXCHANGE,**

QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,

AND ARE SELLING

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at the lowest possible prices

*FOR CASH,*

and giving the benefits of the Co-operative Store system to the Public without the necessity of Membership. Detailed Prices will be furnished upon application.

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*OILMAN'S STORES.*

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*OILMAN'S STORES.*

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*OILMAN'S STORES.*

*MACQUARIE BROTHERS'*

*Liverpool*

*OILMAN'S STORES.*

*AMERICAN OILMAN'S STORES.*

*WINES, &c.*

*CHATEAU MARGAUX.*

*CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts.*

*12½ GRAVES, " "*

*BREAKFAST CLARET, "*

*SACONE'S MANZANILLA & AMON-*

*TILLADO.*

*SACONE'S OLD INVALID PORT*

*(1848).*

*HUNT PORT.*

*1 and 3-star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.*

*GOUVIONNER'S BRANDY.*

*FINEST OLD BOURBON WHISKY.*

*KINAHAN'S LL WHISKY.*

*ROYAL GLENDEE WHISKY.*

*BOBBY'S OLD TOM.*

*E. & J. BURKE'S IRISH WHISKY.*

*ROGER'S LIME-JUICE CORDIAL.*

*NOELLY PRAT & Co.'s VERMOUTH.*

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*EASTERN AMERICAN CIDER.*

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*&c., &c., &c.*

*BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and SAUNDERS, pints and quarts.*

*GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. & J. BURKE, pints and quarts.*

*DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the Galon.*

*ALE AND PORTER, in hogheads.*

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*SHOPS and GODDOWNS, and STORES at No. 55 Queen's Road EAST, (opposite the Temperance Hall). Also BEDROOMS, SERVANTS and KITCHEN ACCOMMODATION.*

*Apply to*

**MACKENZIE, FRICKEL & Co.**

Hongkong, April 4, 1885.

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**PRICE, \$1.00.**

**COMPARATIVE CHINESE FAMILY LAW**

By E. H. PARKER.

Can be obtained from KELLY & WAIHAN at Shanghai and Hongkong, at LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong, and at the China Mail Office.

**Intimations.**

**SUMMER TIME TABLE.**

**THE KOWLOON FERRY.**

**STEAM LAUNCH**

**MORNING STAR**

Runs Daily in a FERRY BOAT between Pudding's Wharf and Tsui-Tai Tsui at the following hours:

**WEEK DAYS.** **SUNDAYS.**

From 7.30 A.M. to 9.00 A.M. 6.00 A.M. to 7.00 A.M.

6.00 " 8.30 " 7.30 " 8.00 "

8.50 " 9.00 " 10.15 "

9.40 " 10.15 " 11.00 " NOON.

10.45 " 12.30 P.M. 12.30 P.M. 1.00 P.M.

1.30 " 2.30 " 3.00 "

2.20 " 3.00 " 3.30 " 4.00 "

3.30 " 4.00 " 4.15 " 4.30 "

4.15 " 5.10 " 5.25 " 5.40 "

5.25 " 5.40 " 5.55 " 6.10 "

5.35 " 6.15 " 6.30 " 7.00 "

6.45 " 7.00 " 7.15 " 7.30 "

7.15 " 7.30 "

\* There will be no Launch on Monday and Friday, on account of coupling.

The above Time Table will be strictly adhered to, except under unavoidable circumstances. In case of stress of weather, due notice will be given of any stoppages.

**SAILOR'S HOME.**

A NY—Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

**The Overland China Mail,**

A WEEKLY 8-PAGE JOURNAL.

IS PUBLISHED to suit the Departure of each ENGLISH and FRENCH MAIL Steamer for Europe. Formerly the Overland issue was published fortnightly; but as it was deemed of special importance that a weekly budget of news should be prepared, it was decided to issue it weekly. Subscribers at Home, and those at the Coast Ports and in the interior, who find the Overland edition a convenient form of newspaper for their perusal, will welcome the change. The Overland China Mail, now a weekly compendium of news from the Far East, contains Commercial, Industrial, and Social tables of Shipping, and other information. The various Ports of Call and Meetings, and all other news are given in full as they appear in the Daily issue.

The attention of Advertisers is directed to a weekly newspaper, which is circulated among old China 'Fards' and others, both at home and in the Far East, who do not take the daily journals.

The Overland China Mail will be regularly posted from the China Mail Office to subscribers, on their addresses being forwarded to us.

**SUBSCRIPTION:**

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## Mails.

**Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.**

**TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.**

**THE Steamship SAN PABLO**

**will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant, at 3 p.m.**

**Connection being made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan ports.**

**All Parcel Packages should be marked to address full; an answer will be received at the Company's Office, until 6 p.m. the day previous.**

**Return Passengers—Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20% from Return Fare; Pre-Paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 25% from Return Fare. These allowances to be applied to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.**

**Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to ports beyond San Francisco, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.**

**For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central.**

**F. E. FOSTER,**

**Agent.**

**Hongkong, May 10, 1885.**

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## Notices to Consignees.

**CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.**

**THE Steamship Gordon Castle, ROBERT, Commander, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, at Wan-chai, No. 3, behind the premises known as 'The Blue Buildings,' whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.**

**Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p.m. To-DAY.**

**No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 20th instant will be subject to rent.**

**No Fire Insurance has been effected.**

**Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.**

**Hongkong, May 19, 1885.**

## To-day's Advertisements.

**FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.**

**The Steamship**

**Oxfordshire,**

**Captain JONES, due on**

**or about the 30th Inst., will have immediate despatch for the above Ports.**

**For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents.**

**Hongkong, May 25, 1885.**

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## To-day's Advertisements.

**RIDGWAY'S PAVILION OF VARIETIES.**

**SITUATED AT CORNER OF QUEEN'S ROAD AND PEAK EAST.**

**(Close to the Blue Building).**

**This Evening and Every Evening, DURING THE WEEK.**

**GRAND ACROBATIC, GYMNAStic, AND PANTOMIMIC ENTERTAINMENTS**

**will be given in the above PAVILION.**

**NOTICE.**

**THE CAPTAIN and CONSIGNEEs of the American Ship Highland Light will NOT BE RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS Contracted by her OFFICERS or CREW, whilst staying at this Port.**

**J. W. NORCROSS,**

**Master.**

**Hongkong, May 25, 1885.**

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**ports : Left SWATOW at 5 p.m. on the 23rd inst. Had fine weather, with fresh S.W. breeze throughout the passage.**

**The British steamer Emerald reports: Had light variable breeze and fine weather, with smooth water; first part light and moderate S.W. breeze and fine weather, with light S.W. swell.**

**The British steamer Port Jackson reports: Had fine weather throughout the passage.**

**The French steamer Tecknow reports: From Hongkong to Tecknow: Had light S.E. winds; thence to port moderate winds and fine weather throughout.**

**The Chinese steamer Pulo Obi: had light S.E. winds; thence to port moderate winds and fine weather throughout.**

**CARGOES.**

**For S. S. Albatross, sailed 18th May—Hongkong to Havre, 110 cases Boxes, 20**

**cases Paper, 23 cases Chinaware, 50 rolls Matting, 5 pugs. Cases**

## THE CHINA MAIL.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUZ CANAL.—*Hawerton, April 13; Harter, April 18; Glenarvill, and Ordore, May 4; Benarty, Cardiganshire, Cassandra, Gulf of Suez, Telamon, May 12; Irauoddy, Saguenay, Tener, Thysse, Timor, Graville and Kutsang, May 19.*

The next AMERICAN MAIL, per the O. & O. steamer *Oceanic*, left Yokohama on Wednesday, the 20th instant, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 26th instant.

The next FRENCH MAIL, by the M. M. Co.'s str. *Oreus*, left Singapore for Saigon and this port on Thursday, the 21st instant, at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 26th instant.

The D. R. steamer *Electra* left Singapore for this port on the 13th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 24th instant.

The E. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Alvina* left Sydney for this port on the 10th instant, and may be expected to arrive on or about the 23rd instant.

The E. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Menai* left Port Darwin for this port on the 18th inst., and may be expected here on the morning of the 28th instant.

The Union Line steamer *Oxfordshire* left Singapore for Hongkong on the 23rd instant, and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 30th inst.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Nestor* left Singapore for this port on the 25th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 31st inst.

We hear that the S. S. *Zefiro* has been successfully floated off Flat Island, and has been towed into Tong Sang Bay.

The Government Astronomer's weather report for the month of August 1884 is published in Saturday's *Gazette*.

Messrs Butterfield & Swire inform us that the O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Nestor* left Singapore to-day, and is due here on the 31st inst.

Messrs Russell & Co. inform us that the Union Line steamer *Oxfordshire* left Singapore for this port on the 23rd instant, and may be expected to arrive on the 30th inst.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that from the 1st June next until further notice, Bills of Health will be delivered by the Colonial Surgeon and the Health Officer on forms bearing an impressed stamp of 83.

H.M.S. *Invincible* left Aden on the 29th April, and was therefore expected to arrive in Singapore probably in time for the Queen's Birthday Ball on the 26th. The *Free Press* thinks it is very probable that the *Invincible* will remain there until matters with Russia are finally at rest (or supposed to be so), and that they shall have the ironclad, one corvette and a gun-boat left there for some time.

The members of the Ridgway Troupe, who have met with very poor support at the City Hall Theatre, in spite of the novelty and excellence of their performances, announce that they will perform this evening, and throughout the week, in a Pavilion erected on the piece of ground between the Queen's Road and Praya East to the west of the 'Blue Building.' We hope that the efforts of the company will meet with better success than they have done at the Theatre Royal.

We learn that the young man Xavier, who is suspected of having stolen a watch belonging to Mr. H. M. Bevis, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, some time ago, has been arrested in Macao. Last week Sergeant Butlin went to Macao with the object of getting Xavier arrested, but although he discovered his whereabouts he was unable to effect his object. It seems, however, that Xavier was arrested about six hours after Sergeant Butlin left on his return journey to Hongkong.

The *Singapore Free Press* says:—We hear that a Battery of Artillery has already left England for Singapore to be stationed here, which will most materially increase the protection of this place. The Hongkong papers speak very highly of the energetic work of the new General, and we hear that he will come to Singapore as soon as he can leave China, but he is not likely to be able to do so just yet. The Artillery stationed here have been working very hard at the new fort, and have set an example which their companions in arms here might well follow.

To-DAY being the anniversary of the birth of Her Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, who has completed her 66th year, all the men-of-war in harbour dress rehearsal in honour of the occasion; the new cruisers, the *Rosetta*, *Glenogle*, and *Falmouth Castle* being particularly conspicuous in their gay attire. A number of vessels of the mercantile marine have also displayed their loyalty in a similar manner. At noon a royal salute was fired from the battery at North Barracks and from the *Victor Emmanuel*. A parade of the troops of the garrison will be held by General Cameron on the Parade Ground at 5.30 p.m., when the pretty military spectacle, usual on this auspicious occasion, of 'trooping the Colour,' will probably be performed. Her Majesty's birthday falling this year upon Whit-Monday, a generally recognised Bank Holiday, the Public Offices, Banks and most places of business throughout the colony have been closed.

The British steamer *Greyhound*, which arrived here from Pakhoi yesterday, reports that French man-of-war are still overhauling vessels entering and leaving Pakhoi.

SATURDAY'S *Gazette* contains the text of the new ordinance for the preservation of wild birds and game in this Colony. It consists of five clauses, the first of which repeals Ordinances 1 of 1879 and 16 of 1884. The second states that the words 'Wild Bird' shall include every description of wild bird; and the word 'Game' shall include every description of deer, hare, rabbit, pheasant, partridge, grouse, heath or moor, game, black game, bustard, woodcock, snipe, quail, landrail, wild duck and widgeon. Clause three provides that no person shall kill or wound any game or wild bird without first having obtained a license from the Governor in Council, and no person shall offer for sale between the month of April and the month of September any pheasant or partridge. Any person offending under this section shall be liable, for a first offence, to a penalty not exceeding \$10. Section four confers upon all persons the right to demand the name and place of abode of any offender against the ordinance.

THE chartered transport *Pembroke Castle*, Captain Harrison, now transformed into an armed cruiser, made a trial trip in her new capacity on Saturday last. The armament supplied to the *Pembroke Castle* consists of one 62-ton and one 5-inch muzzle-loader on the main deck amidships, two sixty-four pounders on the quarter-deck, aft, and two on the main fore deck, twenty 20 pounder breech-loaders on the forecastle head, besides two machine-guns fixed on the after bridge in such a position as to sweep both sides of the vessel to prevent any small craft approaching.

The vessel left her moorings about 9.30 a.m. with a large party of guests on board, which included their Excellencies Sir George Bowen and General Cameron, a number of officers of the Garrison and members of the Legislative Council, &c. Captain Harrison, the commander of the *Pembroke Castle*, navigated the vessel, Commander Hotcham, of H. M. S. *Midge*, commanding the naval detachment on board, which consisted principally of blue-jackets from the *Midge* and *Sophie*. Commodore Moran was in command in chief and acted as host for the occasion.

The *Pembroke Castle* proceeded to the Gap Rock, the same course as that taken by the S. S. *Rosetta* on her trial trip on the 19th inst., and upon her arrival there ran out her guns and started gunnery exercises. After firing a few rounds of blank ammunition, the range was found by a few shots from the machine guns, and then shot practice was commenced from the 64 pounders, 20 and 40-pounder breech-loaders, and the 62-ton gun. Three Palliser shells were fired from the latter, very good practice being made. The shells from the 64-pounders were also very well placed, but the shooting from the 20-pounder breech-loaders was not so good. The ranges varied from 1200 to 1500 yards.

After the gunnery practice was finished the *Pembroke Castle* steamed back to the harbour, succeeding in working up to a speed of about fourteen knots an hour. No vibration or inconvenience was felt on board at the discharge of the heaviest gun at the discharge of the heaviest gun carried by the vessel, and the results of the trial generally may be considered equitably satisfactory.

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